

28. A method according to claim 32 wherein said composition consists essentially of:

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- a. a topically active amount of a retinoid;
- b. from about 0.01% to about 20% of ascorbic acid-2-glucoside;
- c. from about 0.01% to about 20% of an acrylate/C10-C30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer; and
- d. from about 0.01% to about 20% of a polyoxyethylene alcohol.

29 30. A method according to claim 32 comprising providing a composition consisting essentially of:

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- a. a retinoid;
- b. ascorbic acid-2-glucoside;
- c. acrylate/C10-C30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer; and
- d. a polyoxyalkylene alcohol; and

applying said composition to the skin.

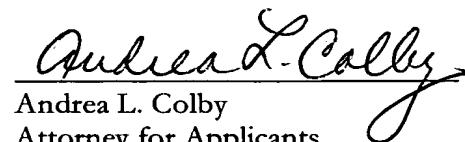
REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is respectfully submitted in conjunction with the filing of the above-identified divisional application of 09/361,426. The Specification has been amended in order to refer to the parent application and to incorporate its subject matter by reference.

Claims 1-23 have been canceled without prejudice as they refer to compositions claimed in parent application Serial No. 09/361,426. Claims 27-33 have been added in order to define additional embodiments of the method of applicants' invention. Claims 27-33 find basis in the Specification at p. 2, l. 22-28, p. 3, l. 14 through p. 5, l. 4, p. 6, l. 23-26 and in Example 1 at p. 9, l. 4 through p. 17, l. 2.

In view of the foregoing discussion, applicants respectfully request consideration of the claims. An early allowance is earnestly solicited.

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